

Municipal Police.  
Criminal Investigation Dept:  
~~Captain Superintendent's Office.~~

Shanghai, 20th March 1916.

Sir, General Yang received a telegram from Peking at 3 p.m. 18th instant officially notifying him that Kwangse had declared independence. The same telegram stated that the Central Government has had no report from Chiangchun Taung 湯 of Hunan and Chiangchun Yang 楊 of Sinkiang 新疆 for the past four days.

It is reported that the situation in Peking is very critical and that officials are deserting their posts daily.

General Yang entertained General Tsang Tsung Sung whose arrival from Peking was reported on 18th inst and Deputy Military Governor Lui to tiffin in the Arsenal on the same day. During the meal General Yang spoke of the trying times through which the country is passing at present. He said he had been specially sent by Yuan Shih Kai to exhort the Shanghai officials to act in concord, and patriotically assist in saving their country from the dangers with which it is threatened.

The man, whose arrest near the Arsenal with a map in his possession was reported on 18th instant is a native of Kiangsi named Nyeu Wen Tsang 虞文堂. He returned a week ago to this country from Japan where he had been a student for about three years.

Extraordinary precautions are still being taken in the City and Chapel.

It is reported that General Yang has received special instructions from Chiangchun Feng to watch boats arriving from Japan, as he has received information that they are bringing revolutionaries, guns and munitions from the country named to China.

It is reported that Wu Ting Fang 伍廷芳 has received a telegram from America saying that he will be killed if he does not publicly contradict the report that he and Tong Shao Yi had promised to assist Yuan Shih Kai in conciliating the Yunnan rebels.

Yours Obedient Servant,

Manufacturing

Chief Detective Inspector.

**Captain Superintendent of Police.**

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